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FM AMEMBASSY LOME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1467

INFO AMEMBASSY DAKAR PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, TO, MMOL, MR, US, PINR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: CONSTELLATION N

273-R

REF: (A) STATE 300240 (NOTAL), (B) LOME 2745 (NOTAL),

1. CONSOFF MET WITH LOME AIRPORT COMMANDER AHITE AFTERNOON DECEMBER 10 TO TRADE INFORMATION ON CONSTELLATION N-273-R, L-749-A, WHICH PRESENTLY LOCATED LOME AIRPORT. NEITHER PILOT NOR CREW HAS CHECKED IN WITH AIRPORT AUTHORITIES SINCE PLANE ARRIVED AT 1840 HOURS ON NOVEMBER 16. AT THAT TIME, PILOT DECLARED HE TOOK OFF FROM DAKAR, BUT GAVE NO REASON FOR STOP AT LOME. PILOT DECLARED PLANE WAS BEING LEASED BY "LANDZAIR", BUT GAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION.

2. TOGOLESE CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES HAVE INSPECTED PLANE AND FOUND IT EMPTY.

3. AIRPORT AUTHORITIES ARE SUSPICIOUS OF FACT THAT PLANE HAS BEEN UNTENDED FOR SO LONG; OWNER NOW OWES MORE THAN \$1,000 IN  
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LANDING AND PARKING FEES.

4. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NAMES OF PERSONS ABOARD N-273-R WHEN IT LANDED IN LOME: BRITISH CITIZEN PAUL BRIMBLE (COPILOT); BRITISH CITIZEN WILLIAM HAMMOUD (WHO LISTED PROFESSION AS "DIRECTOR"); AMERICAN CITIZENS PETER RALPH LAVIN AND PEDRO RIVAS ("PILOTS"); AND IRISH CITIZEN DUNCAN BAKER ("PILOT").

5. CAN DEPARTMENT SHED LIGHT ON ACTIVITIES THIS PLANE OR LANDZAIR. IF ADDRESSEES AWARE OF ANY SUCH INFORMATION PLEASE ADVISE. NOTE THAT DEPARTMENT HAS OFFERED RELAY PERTINENT TRAFFIC ON THIS CASE TO LOME.  
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